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SUBJECT: ICCS HUNGDEL ATTITUDES: MORE OF THE SAME

1. THERE WAS SOME EXPECTATION IN ICCS CIRCLES THAT LATEST PARIS NEGOTIATIONS AND SUMMIT MEETING MIGHT RESULT IN RETURN OF AMB ESZTERGALYOS AND GEN SZUCS FROM CONSULTATIONS IN BUDAPEST WITH NEW INSTRUCTIONS REFLECTING FRESH SPIRIT OF COMPROMISE AND GREATER WILLINGNESS TO GET ON WITH ICCS JOB. ESZTERGALYOS AND SZUCS RETURNED TO SAIGON JUNE 26 AND INITIAL SOUNDINGS BY EMBOFF IN JUNE 28 CONVERSATION WITH HUNGDEL POLITICAL ADVISER BARABAS SUGGEST LITTLE CHANGE IN HUNGDEL ATTITUDES.

2. BARABAS REITERATED ALL TO FAMILIAR LINE THAT PROGRESS IN FULFILLING ICCS ROLE CAN ONLY MATCH PROGRESS IN TPJMC AND RECONCILIATION OF TWO VIETNAMESE PARTIES. HE SAID HUNGDEL POSITION RE PLENARY IMPASSE REMAINS UNCHANGED MAINTAINING THAT PRINCIPLE
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OF UNANIMITY MUST APPLY TO INVESTIGATION PROGRESS IF RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION ARE TO BE FORWARDED AS ICCS DOCUMENTS. WITH A BARE HINT AT COMPROMISE, BARABAS NOTED THAT WHILE PRINCIPLES ARE FIXED, OPERATING PROCEDURES CAN SOMETIMES BE MADE FLEXIBLE.

3. ON SUBJECT OF HUNGDEL PARTIALITY TOWARD PRG IN DEFENDING PRG RESTRICTIONS ON ICCS FREEDOM OF MOBILITY, BARABAS STATED THAT HUNGDEL POSITION WAS VALID BECAUSE OF DIFFERENCE IN MILITARY CAPABILITIES AND OPERATIONS OF THE TWO PARTIES. PRG, FOR EXAMPLE, HAD NO AIR FORCE. FURTHERMORE, BARABAS SAID HUNGDEL HAS DOCUMENTED

"MANY CASES" OF VNAF USE OF ICCS- MARKED HELICOPTERS ON MILITARY MISSIONS BUT REFUSED TO SUPPLY EMBOFF WITH ANY SPECIFIC DETAILS SINCE HUNGDEL PLANNED TO REPORT ON IT "IN DUE TIME".

4. COMMENT: IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT CURRENT PLENARY DEADLOCK WILL BE RESOLVED BY MUCH COMPROMISE ON HUNGDEL SIDE. BARABAS DID REPORT THAT CHIP AMBASSADORS WERE MEETING ON BILATERAL BASIS BUT HAD MADE NO PROGRESS TO DATE IN FINDING SOLUTION TO PLENARY IMPASSE. WHITEHOUSE

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